

**SUMMARY OF STATE'S COMPARISON
OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED WORKERS
Summarized from the 2007 Analysis of Workers' Compensation Laws
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Expenses (Maintenance Allowance) paid directly by employer/insurer:

33 states have some form of vocational rehabilitation paid by employer/insurer
Montana

14 of these states use a state agency (other than the insurer) to refer workers for voc rehab, determine eligibility for voc rehab, or perform voc rehab services

9 states pay voc rehab through special funds – usually assessments to employers/insurers

State Fund states pay voc rehab from their State Fund or Special Fund

North Dakota, Ohio, Washington, Wyoming

Employer/insurer may pay voluntary voc rehab services and benefits

Colorado, Kansas, New Hampshire, and Utah

Voc Rehab available to catastrophic injuries only

Georgia

No statutory provisions for voc rehab

California, South Carolina, and Texas (Texas Commission may refer to other voc rehab sources)

Maximum number of weeks reported by states

26 weeks – 2 states

52 weeks – 9 states

104 weeks – 7 states, including Montana

156 weeks – 1 state